



# CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to allocate Public Benefit Program funds to extend for one year the *Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership* (\$25,000)(EUD)

**MEETING DATE:** July 21, 2004

**PREPARED BY:** Electric Utility Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to allocate \$25,000 in Public Benefit Program funds to extend for one year, the *Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership*.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Since 1999, the City of Lodi has been providing energy efficiency rebates for small business owners/managers. The *Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership* provides dollar-for-dollar rebates of up to \$250 for the purchase and installation of any/all of the following energy conservation & efficiency improvements:

- ceiling fans;
- attic ventilators;
- weather-stripping;
- attic and/or wall insulation;
- air duct replacements or repairs;
- window tinting, shade screens, and/or awning covers;
- HVAC/refrigeration (such as a one-time diagnostic and preventative maintenance service for each HVAC unit and/or refrigeration system).

In addition, eligible customers may receive a rebate of 15 percent or \$750 (whichever is *less*), for installing high efficiency mechanical systems (air conditioning upgrades), an approved white, sun-reflective roof coating product, or a lighting improvement or retrofit.

Participating customers must be on the published G-1 or G-2 electric rate schedule, current on all City of Lodi utility charges, and consent to a potential pre- and post-inspection. The program is available to a maximum of seven (7) customers per month, and the program will be offered until funds are exhausted. During the fiscal year just completed, fifty small businesses participated in the *Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership*, and since the program's inception back in 1999, the City of Lodi has provided rebates to nearly 475 small businesses. The average energy savings that can be achieved is 5 percent to 25 percent annually, depending upon the energy efficiency measure(s) installed.

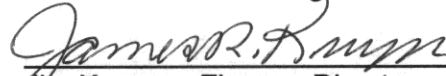
APPROVED:

  
H. Dixon Flynn, City Manager

City of Lodi Electric Utility staff respectfully recommends approval of this item as a qualifying component of the City of Lodi Public Benefits Program.

**FUNDING:** 164605 – Public Benefits Program fund (Category: Demand-side Management)

**Funding Approval:**

  
Jim Krueger, Finance Director

  
Alan N. Vallow  
Electric Utility Director

**PREPARED BY:** Rob Lechner, Manager of Customer Service & Programs

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Attachments

cc:

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-143

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING  
THE CITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE A PUBLIC BENEFITS  
PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 TO EXTEND  
THE LODI SMALL BUSINESS ENERGY SERVICES  
PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

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WHEREAS, the state has mandated that beginning January 1, 1998, the City of Lodi is obligated to fund various programs through a Public Benefits Charge (PBC) based on an historical electric revenue requirement; and

WHEREAS, the requirement amounts to approximately \$1 million per year that must be dedicated to qualifying programs such as energy efficiency. A further stipulation is that these efforts must be done on the customer's side of the meter in order to qualify; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program is comprised of four segments or customer groups: commercial/industrial, residential, community/non-profit, and municipal; and

WHEREAS, since 1999, the City of Lodi has been providing energy efficiency rebates for small business owners/managers. The *Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership* provides dollar-for-dollar rebates of up to \$250 for the purchase and installation of any/all of the following energy conservation and efficiency improvements:

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WHEREAS, in addition, eligible customers may receive a rebate of 15 percent or \$750 (whichever is *less*), for installing high-efficiency mechanical systems (air conditioning upgrades), an approved white, sun-reflective roof coating product, or a lighting improvement or retrofit; and

WHEREAS, participating customers must be on the published G-1 or G-2 electric rate schedule, current on all City of Lodi utility charges, and consent to a potential pre- and post-inspection. The program is available to a maximum of seven (7) customers per month and will be offered until funds are exhausted; and

WHEREAS, during the fiscal year just completed, fifty small businesses participated in the *Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership*, and since the program's inception back in 1999, the City of Lodi has provided rebates to nearly 475 small businesses. The average energy savings that can be achieved is 5 percent to 25 percent annually, depending upon the energy efficiency measure(s) installed; and

WHEREAS, the Electric Utility Department recommends providing the Public Benefit Program funds in the amount of \$25,000 extending the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership and continuing until designated funds are exhausted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to provide Public Benefits Program funds in the amount of \$25,000 to extend the Lodi Small Business Energy Services Partnership Program and continuing until designated funds are exhausted.

Dated: July 21, 2004

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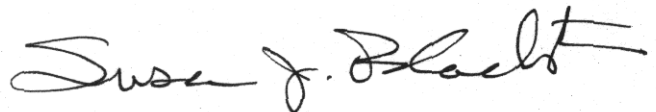
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2004-143 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held July 21, 2004, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hitchcock, Land, and  
Mayor Hansen

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Howard

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON  
City Clerk